

Amendments to the Drawing:

Applicant has amended Figure 1 to obviate the present objection to Figure 1. One replacement sheet is attached.

REMARKS

Claims 4 to 9 are now pending in the above-referenced application.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the acknowledgment of the claim for foreign priority and the indication that all certified copies of the priority documents have been received.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for considering the previously filed Information Disclosure Statement, 1449 paper, and cited references.

In response to the objection to Figure 1 of the drawings, a replacement sheet of drawings is submitted. The replacement sheet includes an amended Figure 1. Figure 1 has been amended to render moot the objection as to the omission of reference number 4 designating the locking hook. Withdrawal of the objection to Figure 1 is therefore respectfully requested.

Figure 2 was objected to because there is assertedly no difference shown between elements 7 and 8 of Figure 2. Applicant respectfully disagrees. A clear structural difference is shown between plug-connectors 7 and the flat contact 8 shown in Figure 2, since, unlike element 8, each element 7 includes a narrow connector element at its left hand side. Withdrawal of the objection to Figure 2 is therefore respectfully requested.

Figure 3 was objected to because element 7 assertedly does not appear to be a flat-plug connector. Applicant respectfully disagrees. The left hand side of element 7 is shown to include a portion with flat sides used for a plug connection. Element 7 therefore clearly illustrates a flat plug-connector. Withdrawal of the objection to Figure 3 is therefore respectfully requested.

With the submission of a Terminal Disclaimer in the above-referenced application, Applicant believes that the double patenting rejection is obviated.

It is respectfully submitted that the subject matter of the present application is new, non-obvious, and useful. Prompt consideration and allowance of the application are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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